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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **KATO, et al.**

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Serial No.: **09/340,196**

Examiner: **HOLLERAN, Anne L.**

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For. **METHOD FOR MEASURING THYROGLOBULIN**

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: September 5, 2006

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated April 3, 2006 for two months, from July 3, 2006, to September 5, 2006, as September 3, 2006, being Sunday and September 4, 2006, being Holiday.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$450.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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